REMARKS

The above amendment eliminates multiple dependency to reduce PTO filing fees and corrects a minor informality.

Favorable action is now requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED TO CHARGE ANY DEFICIENCY IN THE FEES FOR THIS PAPER TO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 23-0975

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